

SCHOOL BOOKS.

Senate Passes Bill For Uniform School Books.

SENATOR CANTRILL LEADS THE FIGHT AGAINST ADMINISTRATION.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 15.—Senator J. Campbell Cantrill led the fight in the Senate today which triumphed over the Administration forces in the passage of a school book bill which was the Cantrill bill with certain amendments agreed upon. Senator J. Embry Allen also made a strong fight for the passage of the bill.

Shorn of its technical language, the bill, as amended and adopted in the Senate today is as follows:

The School Book Commission shall be composed of the Governor, the Auditor of Public Accounts, State Treasurer and three members of the State Board of Education. The Governor shall be Chairman, and the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall be Secretary and executive officer. The Commissioners shall serve without compensation, taking an oath that they receive no benefit from any contract.

The commission shall receive sealed bids for books from publishers for five years, stating prices at which books can be furnished the State or any County Board of Education. The bill names maximum prices 15 per cent, lower than the prices named in the Hickman or Tabb bills, favored by the administration. Publishers shall deposit a forfeit to insure that contracts will be carried out.

A County School Book Commission, consisting of the County Superintendent of Public Instruction, County Judge and County Attorney.

The State School Book Commission shall open bids and transmit a list to the County Boards. The County Boards shall convene at a day designated and select books for the various branches, forwarding their choice to Frankfort, filing a copy of the list of record in the County Superintendent of Public Instruction. When all counties have reported, the Commissioners at Frankfort shall meet at the call of the Secretary and canvass the reports as election returns are canvassed, adopting each book which is shown to have received the sanction of a majority of the County Boards. The system of books thus adopted shall be used in every county in the State for five years. The Commissioners at Frankfort shall notify the publishers whose books have been adopted. Contracts shall be made and signed by the Governor and attested by the Secretary of State.

Four Years in the Pen.

Henderson, Ky., Jan. 15.—Will Miller, of Evansville, was convicted of detaining a woman against her will in the Circuit Court here today and sentenced to four years in the penitentiary. The crime occurred in this city just before Christmas, and short work was made of the defendant, who has been indicted, tried and sentenced within about three weeks.

Died

Miss Elizabeth O'Brien an aged lady, died at the residence of Mrs. McDonald last Friday and was carried to Hopkinsville for burial. She was a sister of Mrs. McDonald and Mrs. James Kilroy both of this city. The sorrowing relatives have the deep sympathy of their friends.

GEORGE E. EVANS

Says he Will not Resign General Managership of L. & N.

The report that George E. Evans, general manager of the Louisville and Nashville, had resigned came last night in a telegram from Nashville says Monday's Courier-Journal. The report was to the effect that Mr. Evans would be succeeded by B. M. Stark, superintendent of the South and North and Birmingham Mineral division of the system, with headquarters in Birmingham. Mr. Evans was seen at the Galt House, and said:

"I have not resigned and have no intention of resigning. This is the first I have heard of the report, and if any one expects me to resign I shall have to disappoint him at present."

Mr. Evans has the reputation of being one of the most astute railroad managers in the South, and the report that he is to resign is generally discredited. Mr. Stark, who is mentioned in the report as his successor, is also one of the most capable men in the service of the Louisville and Nashville. He has been with the road for years, and before going to Birmingham was superintendent of the Nashville terminals. He established the system which is in force there, and his work has stood practically without change since his transfer to the more responsible position in Birmingham.

New Member in the Firm.

The well known and progressive dry goods firm of Dulin & McLeod, of Madisonville, has a new member in the person of Mr. Smith Dulin, of Springfield, Tenn. Mr. Dulin will take an active interest in the management of the business, and will have charge of the advertising department. Mr. Dulin believes that "it pays to advertise," and is a strong advocate of a liberal use of printers' ink, consequently it is more than probable that the business of Dulin & McLeod will show quite an increase for the year 1904.

Will Wed February 2nd.

Mr. O. L. Tinder, of Madisonville, and Miss Sadie Birk, of Owensboro, will wed Tuesday, February 2nd. It will be a quiet home affair and attended only by near friends and relatives. The ceremony will be performed by Rev. P. T. Hale, pastor of the Third Baptist church, of Owensboro. Miss Birk is a very popular and charming young lady and Mr. Tinder is one of Madisonville's most progressive young business men.

Stabbed Jailer at Calhoon.

Owensboro, Ky., Jan. 15.—Dug Riggs, jailer of McLean county, and W. D. Croft, manager of an oil-boring plant, got into a quarrel at Calhoon over the oil business, Riggs declaring that it was a fake. Croft cut Riggs about twenty times with a pen-knife before they could be separated. Riggs is in very bad condition, but may recover.

Mrs. Dan Sullivan Entertains.

Mrs. Dan Sullivan entertained a number of her friends at her residence Thursday night in honor of her sister, Miss Florence Desher, a charming young lady of Evansville.

□ Kills Father for Abusing Mother.

Paducah, Ky., January 16.—James Dunn was shot and killed by his son near Linto, Trigg county. Dunn was abusing his wife, when the boy took her part and shot his father. He was not arrested.

THREE WILL HANG.

Holland, Carney and Finch Have Had Sentence of Death Passed on Them.

MERIWETHER IS NOW ON TRIAL.

Charles Finch, the third of the negroes put on trial at Hopkinsville for the murder of the unknown white man near Pembroke on November 14, will hang if the verdict of the jury is enforced. A verdict of guilty was brought in, fixing the penalty at death. One man stood for half a day for life sentence, but he finally came over to the other eleven and agreed to vote for death.

Frank Carney and George Holland, the two men who actually did the killing, were convicted and a death verdict returned in the case several days ago.

The trials have been conducted rapidly and there has been no undue haste. Ample latitude is given the defense in each case, but the evidence for the prisoners is manifestly a tissue of falsehood and at variance with the confessions made by all three of the men who have been tried.

THE MERIWETHER CASE.

The trial of Frank Meriwether, another of the negroes was entered into Monday and by 11:30 the jury was made up.

Meriwether is defended by R. N. Lander and F. H. Ford, the colored lawyers. The same attorneys for the Commonwealth, who conducted the other cases, will have charge of this one. The jury is as follows:

T. J. Word, J. W. Rogers, Will Gilkey, J. W. Crabtree, R. A. Haddox, F. E. Quarles, W. T. Meacham, F. B. Cobb, J. W. Weldon, C. E. S. White, W. T. Renshaw, D. J. McCord.

The witnesses are the same as in the other cases.

Meriwether is the man who Holland said in his confession struck the sleeping man with the bludgeon that crushed his skull and really killed him, before his throat was cut by Holland.

There is hardly any ground for doubt that Meriwether will receive a death sentence, like the others already tried.

SHOCK KILLED HIM.

Gus Jesup, an aged colored man, died suddenly at the home of Robert Glenn, col., near Downer's nursery, last Wednesday night, says the Fairview Review. He was the father of George Holland, who was given a death sentence at Hopkinsville on that day for murdering the unknown white man near Pembroke. He heard the news shortly after the verdict was returned, and it is supposed the shock of the news that his son was going to be hung caused his death. "Gus," as he was called, was a peaceful, quiet negro, and was well thought of by the white people who knew him.

Operation Performed.

Mrs. Emmeline Browning, of Madisonville, who has been suffering for some time, was forced to have her lower left limb amputated last Sunday on account of gangrene setting up. It had come to pass that her life was hanging by a thread and only an operation of this kind could save it. Mrs. Browning is seventy years old and stood the operation wonderfully well for one of her age. Her many friends trust she may speedily be restored to health. Drs. Bone and Gardiner performed the operation.

Hot air is expensive when it comes through the gas meter.

HANCOCK CASE

Decided in Favor of L. & N. R. R.

In the case of J. L. Hancock vs. the L. & N. R. R. which was tried at Madisonville last Friday judgement was rendered for the defendant.

The plaintiff bought a ticket at Clarksville, Tenn., to Slaughter'sville, Ky., March 3, 1903. In order to reach Slaughter'sville he had to change cars at Guthrie, Ky., and at that point attempted to board the first train reaching there which passed through Slaughter'sville, and which was a train not scheduled to stop at the latter point. The conductor refused to permit Hancock to ride to Slaughter'sville on that train, and Hancock sued to recover damages for his failure to go to Slaughter'sville on that train. The defense was that this was one of the fastest trains of the company, not scheduled to stop at Slaughter'sville, or at but few of the more important points between Nashville and Evansville, and that the contract for transportation which Hancock made with the company only permitted him to travel from Guthrie to Slaughter'sville on a train that stopped at the latter station. The court decided this question in favor of the railroad company and denied Hancock a right of recovery, holding the regulation of the company to be a reasonable one.

KENTUCKY WEATHER CAREFULLY WATCHED.

Some Well Known Men and Women of Every Profession Included in the List of Official Observers.

The Louisville Herald, in speaking of the Kentucky weather observers has the following in its issue of Jan. 13th.

"Among the sixty weather observers in Kentucky, there are men and women of every station of prosperity and learning, from a nun in a Catholic academy to a millionaire."

Speaking of Mr. Jno. B. Atkinson, President of the St. Bernard Mining Co., of this place, the writer continues:

"Mr. Atkinson is not a weather observer for the money there is in it, because the position from the Government, which he is filling, pays no salary. But as a large land owner and as a man interested in Hopkins county industrial and mining enterprises, he wanted the weather reports and other data that is sent every day to the voluntary observers, and he decided to apply for the position."

"The weather reports from Earlinton are sent with scrupulous care, and when the President of the coal company is out of the city, one of his assistants sends in the information to the Central Weather office."

Mr. Atkinson is only one of a number of rich Kentuckians who help make up the report of Kentucky weather, which is telegraphed about the country twice a day from Washington.

Russellville Man Drinks Ink.

Thorny Meadows is lying at the point of death at his home in Russellville, as a result of swallowing the contents of wrong bottle. He made a mistake in the bottles on his table and drank a quantity of indelible ink, instead of whiskey, which he was taking for grip. Physicians were hastily summoned and pumped out his stomach, but he is still in a critical condition. Mr. Meadows is foreman of the Russellville laundry.

WORLD'S FAIR BILL

Passed House With Only Fourteen Dissenting Votes.

BRADLEY VOTES AGAINST THE BILL.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 15.—By a vote of 71 to 14 the House today passed the Spalding Bill appropriating \$75,000 to supplement the fund of about \$30,000 already raised by private subscriptions for a proper presentation of Kentucky's resources at the World's Fair in St. Louis. By the terms of the bill the new State Commission, which it creates, and which is to serve without compensation, will take all the concessions, contracts and assets of the Kentucky Exhibit Association, including the Kentucky building already erected on the World's Fair grounds. The commission conforms in organization to that of the Exhibit Association. The passage of the bill through the Senate is assured beyond a doubt and there is a possibility of its adoption by a unanimous vote. Representative R. B. Bradley, of Hopkins, voted against the bill.

Christian County Farmer Shoots Face off.

Hopkinsville, Ky., Jan. 16.—Edward P. Hays, a farmer, near this place accidentally shot himself this afternoon while out hunting. His arm was badly lacerated, and his face was almost torn off. He may recover.

ELIZABETHTOWN

Said to be the Largest Mule Market in the State.

Elizabethtown is rapidly forging her way to the front as a mule market. During last week there was not less than fifteen mule buyers there from all points in the South and every big market in the South was represented. The sales of mules there last week amounted to at least \$50,000, which is a very large business for one week. Before the season is over somewhere between fifteen hundred and two thousand mules will be shipped from there. All the mule dealers are feeling extra good over the market as large profits have been realized on all the sales. The top of the market so far has been paid to Goodin & Kimble of Tontieville, and Bond, of Vine Grove. They each sold a car load for \$200 a head. Of course they were extra fine and large ones. Just now the feeders are scouring all the territory within a hundred miles or Elizabethtown in search of mules, but very few are to be had.

Died.

Lena, the fifteen year old daughter of Mr. G. F. Jones, of Evansville, Ind., died at the residence of her sister, Mrs. Robert Bellamy Tuesday at noon of diabetes. She had been here some time visiting her sister and was taken sick several days ago. She was a devoted little christian and met death fearlessly. Her father was summoned a day or two since and was with her at the end. Funeral services were held at the Christian church in Madisonville Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock and the interment took place at the Odd Fellows' Cemetery, at that place. The bereaved relatives have the sincere sympathy of their many friends in their trouble.

Do you know that some Prohibitionists are spending more for car fares and lunches in order to attend Prohibitionist committee meetings than others of equal means are giving to the cause in all ways?

HOW TO LIVE

Obtain the Best There is in Joy Good Health

Moderation in eating and physical indulgence. Pure air out of the house within.

The keeping of every organ of the body, as far as possible, in constant working order.

Regular exercises every day in all weathers, supplemented by breathing apparatus, by breathing and lunging tours.

Going to bed early and early, and restricting the amount of sleep to six or seven hours.

Daily baths or ablutions according to individual conditions, cold or warm, or warm by cold.

Regular work and occupation.

Cultivation of placidity, fullness and hopefulness of mind.

Employment of the greater part of the mind, in controlling passions and nervous fears.

Strengthening the will in trying out whatever is useful in checking the craving for stimulants, anodynes and other injurious agencies.

Abraham Lincoln, in his own words: "Do not worry; eat square meals a day; say prayers; think of your wife courteous to your creditors; your digestion good; steer clear of biliousness; exercise; go out and easy! Maybe there are things that your especial duties require to make you happy, friend, these, I reckon, would be centennial things. Never smoke or drink—these the latter and the very little early hours possible to be over, he said to be worried and worried—British Medical Association.

Will Drink Toasts in New York, Jan. 16.—Technology club of the New York academy of sciences instituted will give its annual banquet February 5 at the club. Liquid sunshine served to each of the Dr. W. J. Mortimer announced at the club the discovery of a shine, has given the making it.

It will be placed in a capsule at each plate with a glass of water. The room will be heated and each man will be made into his glass and make his own liquid sunshine introducing a tube of radium to this water. They will rise and drink to their material in liquid sunlight.

French Wines Said to be Mostly Imitation. Lexington, Ky., January 16.—Revelations of the impurity of foods in Europe are made by Prof. Robert M. Allen, secretary of the National pure food association, in his report. Allen has just returned from London, Berlin and Paris, where he had been sent by the association to secure representation of European scientists at the food congress in St. Louis during the World's Fair.

Prof. Allen said 60 per cent of the French wines and 80 per cent of their champagnes are adulterations or imitations of wines and champagnes adulterated with new alcoholizing matters and acids to health. This assertion is based upon the analyses of selected samples of champagnes.